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The Applicants note that the applications in the following list, which includes the referenced application, relate to different aspects of video encoding and/or decoding for bi-directionally predictive pictures. The applications in the list are assigned to Microsoft Corporation, in some instances have one or more inventors in common, in some instances arose out of the same development work, and in some instances have overlapping language in the specification and/or claims.

1. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/622,378;
2. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/882,135;
3. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,233;
4. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/943,040;
5. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,459;
6. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,254;

7. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,458;
8. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,524; and
9. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,502.

The Applicants further note that the applications in the following list, which includes the referenced application, more specifically relate to different aspects of video encoding and/or decoding for direct mode macroblocks for B-pictures. The applications in the list are assigned to Microsoft Corporation, in some instances have one or more inventors in common, in some instances arose out of the same development work, and in some instances have overlapping language in the specification and/or claims.

1. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,524;
2. U.S. Patent Application No. 11/525,059;
3. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/462,085;
4. U.S. Patent Application No. 11/465,938;
5. U.S. Patent Application No. 11/275,103;
6. U.S. Patent Application No. 11/824,550; and
7. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/622,378.

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